

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 583, AMENDMENT 4

AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER 583 TO ALLOW FOR CONSIDERATION OF A CERTIFICATE OF NEED APPLICATION FOR A VETERANS' HOME IN ENTERPRISE, ALABAMA

WHEREAS Executive Order No. 583, issued on November 21, 2003, established a moratorium on the filing of, acceptance of, consideration of, and acting upon any and all Certificate of Need applications for additional skilled nursing facility beds by the State Health Planning and Development Agency and its Certificate of Need Review Board;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order No. 583, Amendment No. 1, this moratorium on applications for additional skilled nursing facility beds was amended on August 12, 2005, to allow applications for certain skilled nursing home beds in Mobile County, Alabama;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order No. 583, Amendment No. 2, this moratorium was further amended on September 26, 2005, to allow the processing and consideration of Certificate of Need applications for eight additional skilled nursing facility beds in Montgomery County, Alabama, to facilitate the emergency relocation of special-needs patients resulting from Hurricane Katrina;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order No. 583, Amendment No. 3, this moratorium was further amended on September 14, 2009, to allow the processing and consideration of a Certificate of Need application for a new veterans' home in Pell City, Alabama, with a skilled nursing bed capacity not to exceed 260 additional skilled nursing facility beds;

WHEREAS state, federal, and local officials have been planning for a new veterans' home in the Wiregrass area of Alabama, which will provide needed services to veterans living in Alabama, including up to 200 skilled nursing beds;

WHEREAS a substantial portion of the funding for the provision of health care services through this new facility will come from the federal government, limiting the burden that such a facility would impose on Alabama's Medicaid system; and

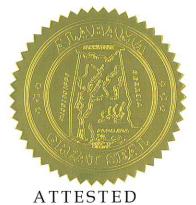
WHEREAS, the public interest will best be served by further amending the moratorium on applications for additional skilled nursing facility beds for the limited purpose of allowing the processing and consideration of a Certificate of Need application for a state veterans' home or veterans' nursing home to be built in the Enterprise, Alabama, area;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of the State of Alabama, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Alabama, hereby amend Executive Order No. 583 for the limited purpose of allowing the processing and consideration of a Certificate of Need application for a new veterans' home in the Enterprise, Alabama, area with a skilled nursing bed capacity not to exceed 200 additional skilled nursing facility beds.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that except as amended herein and in Amendments No. 1, 2, and 3, the provisions of Executive Order No. 583 shall remain in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that this amendment shall become effective immediately and shall remain in effect until amended or rescinded in writing by the Governor.

DONE AND ORDERED this 19th day of January, 2021.



KAY IVEY Governor

JOHN H. MERRILL Secretary of State